

STAGE IS SET FOR ELECTION NEXT TUESDAY

To Vote On Change In
Forming of City
Government

ALL URGED TO VOTE

Promoters Favoring Change Predict
Measure Will Carry By A Large
Majority

Freeholders of the city next Tuesday will decide whether or not Alexandria will have a new form of government. With only two days before the election intervening the interest becomes more pronounced. Those favoring the change are making every effort to get out a big vote on Tuesday and judging from present indications their efforts will be rewarded. Every taxpayer is vitally interested and should cast their ballot on Tuesday.

Several years ago when this issue was up there was organized opposition to the movement. This time, however, there is no such thing and the only opposition that may exist is that of the few who are opposed to the measure. Those favoring the change predict that the measure this time will carry by a sweeping majority and feel confident of this. Their opinion along these lines appears to be general among the voters.

The voting will take place at the usual places in the four wards and the polls will open at sunrise and close at sunset.

The women of the city have become interested in the move and indications are that a large majority of the women voters of the city will take part in the election.

As heretofore stated in the columns of the Gazette, the plan provided that if the measure is adopted there will be an election next June for the purpose of selecting five councilmen at large. The councilmen will receive a salary and one of the five will be elected mayor. The council will take office September 1, 1922, and they will select a business manager.

A number of persons who contemplate running for council already are feeling their way and sounding out the voters on their prospects according to reports, and although it is a long time yet—exactly eight months—it is believed that immediately after this election the race for council will be started and it is believed that there will be an abundance of candidates in the field by the time election time rolls around next summer.

According to reports some of the present members of the city council may run for office.

The councilmen so elected will serve for a term of four years and as already stated they elect the business manager and the council has a right to end his services at any time they may see fit in the event the business manager does not in their opinion meet the city's requirements.

Already people are speculating on where they will obtain the business manager. However, no one can at this early date make a suggestion as the matter will be entirely in the hands of the members of the city council elected next June.

REPUBLICAN MEET

Captain Fountain Beattie to be Candidate for Clerk of Court.—
Col. Anderson To Speak
In This City

There was a called meeting of the Republican City Committee at 115 North Washington street, last night. There was a large attendance and much enthusiasm.

A communication was received from the Republican State Committee advising that Colonel Anderson would speak in Alexandria Tuesday, November 1st.

A letter was received from Chas. S. Stoler, stating his withdrawal as a candidate for clerk of court. Mr. Stoler's announcement was received with regret by the committee.

Capt. C. F. Beattie was nominated by the committee as a candidate for clerk of court to fill the vacancy thus created.

A special committee of three was appointed to notify Mr. Beattie of his selection.

Meeting adjourned to meet October 13.

Capt. Beattie today accepted the nomination and sent the following letter of acceptance:

J. U. SCHWARZMAN,
Chairman of the Republican Committee, Alex., Va.

Sir:
I did not seek or think of becoming a candidate for the position of clerk of Alexandria City Court, but your notification to me, that it is tendered to me by a unanimous vote at your last meeting, I feel that it becomes a duty to accept and hope to merit your confidence, by showing your faith by your works on election day.

Very respectfully,
FOUNTAIN BEATTIE.

MANY WOUNDS ON MURDERED WOMAN'S HEAD

Eastlake and Miss Knox
Accused of Crime at
Colonial Beach

HATCHET WAS USED

Blood-Stained Pistol Also Found
Under Doorstep of House. Hand-
band is Retty Officer in Navy.

Colonial Beach, Va., Oct. 1.—One of the most sensational murders in the history of this section occurred here this morning when Mrs. R. D. Eastlake came to her death, according to the verdict of a coroner's jury, at the hands of her husband, R. D. Eastlake, and a woman who gives her name as Sarah E. Knox, and who claims Baltimore as her home. The body was discovered early this morning when Miss Knox aroused the neighborhood and informed people that Mrs. Eastlake had been murdered. She declares she spent the night in a small house about 10 yards from Eastlake's house, in order that she might see him early this morning when he left for his work and accompany him to the naval proving grounds at Dahlgren, Va., where Eastlake is serving a term as a petty officer in the navy. She says she saw a man run from the house about 6 o'clock this morning and that she ran in the house and found Mrs. Eastlake's body.

Word was sent to Eastlake that his wife had been murdered. When informed of this fact he showed no emotion. His indifferent demeanor he maintained on his return to the house and throughout the inquest. He says he arose this morning at 5 o'clock, left at 5:30 and went directly to the wharf where the boat was to leave for the naval proving grounds. He also says his wife prepared breakfast for him and she was alive when he left the house.

Mrs. Eastlake's body and head were badly mutilated. When she was found on the floor of the dining room severe wounds had been inflicted with a hatchet which was found near the scene. Twenty-five scalp wounds were counted by the doctor and her head was almost severed from the body. A pistol was found marked with blood stains under the step of the house in which Miss Knox says she spent the night. A rain coat was found in some underground nearby. It had blood spots on it and is believed to belong to Miss Knox.

Evidence showed that the hatchet and evidently been washed, as the kitchen sink contained clots of blood. Blood spots were also found on the clothes of Miss Knox. Two children of Mr. and Mrs. Eastlake, 8 and 10 years of age, were asleep in an adjoining room when their mother was murdered. They say they came out of their room in the early morning, when they were awakened by a noise. They say they rushed back into the room by their father, who told them that their mother had been hurt and was being taken to the hospital.

Eastlake and his family came to Colonial Beach to live about two years ago when he was stationed at the naval proving grounds at Dahlgren, which is near Colonial Beach. It is stated that Miss Knox came with them to the beach and lived in the same house for several days, when her presence became obnoxious to Mrs. Eastlake and she left. Since that time she has returned several times to the Eastlake home, but only for short periods. Upon her first appearance at Colonial Beach with Eastlake she said that she was his aunt. Mrs. Eastlake has made the statement to her neighbors that she lived in terror of Miss Knox and the very sight of her unnerved her for several days. Mrs. Eastlake was held in the highest esteem by persons at Colonial Beach.

Eastlake and Miss Knox have been taken to Montross, the county seat of Westmoreland county, where they were placed in the county jail to await the action of the grand jury.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

The staff for the "Last Lap" was appointed last week and has been right on the job ever since.

We expect to get the first issue on next Monday. That's fine work. We want everyone to get in subscriptions now.

Assembly was held on Thursday in the auditorium and another delightful program was enjoyed. Rev. Mr. Hall who was visiting the school, gave a talk on "Being Different."

Mr. Haydon announced that athletic association tickets were all ready and that he would like to see every student in the school a member of the Association.

Our football team is to play the Virginia Juniors on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock on the Shipyard field. This is the first game of the season and as the teams are about evenly matched, we expect a real game. Everybody come out and help us win.

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DOROTHY HINTON.

WORK FOR LEPERS

W. M. Danner To Speak In Three Churches

William M. Danner, general secretary of the Mission to Lepers, will be the guest and speaker in several of the local churches tomorrow. At 11 o'clock tomorrow morning he will address the congregation of the First Baptist Church. This will be a particularly interesting message for Mr. Danner will doubtless tell of the marvelous work that has been accomplished by the Baptists in administering spiritual and physical aid to the sufferers from the dread disease of leprosy. In the evening at 8 o'clock Mr. Danner will speak in St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church, telling his story of the great work already done and the greater work still to be done by the Mission in its campaign to rid the world of leprosy, fulfilling Christ's command to "cleanse the lepers."

At 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon a meeting has been called in the Sunday School room of the M. E. Church South, at which it is hoped all the churches in the city will be well represented. The Mission to Lepers is an interdenominational organization, accomplishing its work through the support and co-operation of all churches, and the meeting tomorrow afternoon has been planned for the purpose of giving everybody in Alexandria who is interested, or willing to be interested in the Mission, work an opportunity to hear the story of the things that have been achieved. All of the local churches are represented in the Alexandria Auxiliary of the Mission, but it is earnestly hoped that they will be as a result of this meeting.

Mrs. Anna N. Rogers, as president of the Senior Young People's Missionary Society of the M. E. Church South, founded the Alexandria Auxiliary of the Mission to Lepers in 1916, among the members of her Society. A year later the organization was broadened, and through the efforts of the late Mrs. Landon R. Mason, of Richmond, an auxiliary was developed that included representation from nearly every church in the city. Since that time the activity of the organization has steadily increased. Officers of the auxiliary at this time are Mrs. M. W. O'Brien, president; Mrs. William J. Campbell, vice president; Miss Mary Williamson, treasurer, and Miss Margaret Germond, secretary.

DISTRICT MEETING IN LEESBURG TOMORROW

Alexandria District meeting will be held at Leesburg, Va., October 2nd and 3rd. The first service will be tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock. A large representation of the Missionary Societies of M. E. Church South is expected to attend. The following are the delegates: Adult, Mrs. E. E. Carver, alternate, Mrs. Irving Brawner, Golden Links, Mrs. William Lipps, Young people, Miss Margaret Alexander.

The following members will also attend, Mrs. William Reardon, President, Mrs. John G. Cockey, district secretary, Mrs. E. V. Regester, Mrs. B. Brown, Mrs. Charles Smithers, Mrs. Wilbur Baggett, Mrs. George Keyes, Mrs. Charles Dare, Miss Puth Spinks, and Miss Bertha Allison.

MINING COMPANY CHARTERED

The State Corporation Commission has granted a charter to the Fauquier County Gold Recovery Corporation with its principal office in Alexandria. The maximum capital stock is \$100,000 and the minimum is \$4,000. Purposes are to prospect and explore for ores and minerals. The officers and incorporators are: George E. Wetteman, vice president; Wade H. Blackstone, president, and Harold Kenney, secretary-treasurer, all of Washington.

NEWS IN THE GAZETTE 108 Years Ago

ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE
Commercial and Political

THURSDAY, SEPT. 30, 1813

BLOCKADE OF THE AMERICAN COAST

The following are the explanatory orders sent to Admiral Warren, respecting the blockade of the American ports:

"On the 28 of April, an explanatory letter was written from the Admiralty to Sir John B. Warren, in which he was told: 'That their Lordships expect and direct him to maintain a blockade de facto of every port of the United States of America, to which his force may be adequate.'"

Freeman's Journal.

Worry is worse than the seven-year iton. You can't let for that so that you can quit scratching a little while now and then; but nobody ever invented a salve for worrying. You have just got to cut it out by the roots and graft in a happy disposition where it used to grow. It can be done. Thank God for that!—Farm Life.

RELIEF FELT OVER IRISH ACCEPTANCE

De Valera's Reply is Regarded as Placing Matter on New Basis

DETAILS UNDECIDED

Conference May Preclude Possibility of Premier Attending Armament Congress Here.

London, Oct. 1.—In a brief, business like message, Eamonn de Valera, yesterday evening informed Premier Lloyd George of his acceptance of the Premier's invitation for a conference in London October 11 on the Irish question, thus clearing the way for a momentous attempt to settle the centuries old problem between Ireland and Great Britain.

Relief was expressed in official circles here last night that the difficulties which for some time seemingly threatened to prevent another conference apparently had been cleared away by the message of Mr. de Valera. The reply raised no question as to the status of the Sinn Fein delegates, and no further correspondence between the Premier and the Irish leader is expected.

"Our respective positions have been stated and understood, and we agree that conference, not correspondence, is the most practical and hopeful way to an understanding," said Mr. de Valera's message in announcing that the Irish delegates would meet Mr. Lloyd George on the date the Premier had set.

The formula of the association of Ireland with other communities of the British Empire, for which the mind of Mr. Lloyd George was responsible, has finally brought together two sides to the long drawn out controversy on terms which, it is considered here, involve the surrender of neither side.

The conference is expected to be unprecedented in the history of Great Britain, if not of Europe. One result of it will be the cancellation of all hopes of Mr. Lloyd George attending the Washington armament conference because the country will look to his diplomacy to steer the empire through the waters of the complicated undertaking.

The belief was expressed in high quarters last night that if Mr. Lloyd George is successful in the task of bringing about peace in Ireland he will have achieved greater honors than could be attained at Washington.

Although no names have been formally announced, it is understood that the Sinn Fein delegates to the conference will be Arthur Griffith, founder of the Sinn Fein; Michael Collins, Finance Minister; Robert C. Barton, who has been a leading figure in the negotiations; Eamon J. Dugan, Sinn Fein member of Parliament, and George Gavin Duffy, who has acted as representative of the Sinn Fein abroad. These men were to have been the delegates to the conference at Inverness which was called off by Premier Lloyd George.

CHURCH SOCIETY BANQUET

Helping Hand Society of Trinity M. E. Church Celebrates First Anniversary

The Helping Hand Society of Trinity M. E. Church gave a banquet Thursday evening, in the lecture room of the church, in honor of their first anniversary. The society had as their guests of honor the pastor, Rev. Dr. D. H. Martin, the superintendent of the Sunday School, Mr. C. E. Pierpoint and the Asbury Bible Class.

The room and tables were beautifully and appropriately decorated with ferns and cut flowers. A short speech was made by the President of the Society, Mrs. Lavinia Fitzgerald, in which she outlined the work accomplished by the Society since its organization last September, and touched upon some of the work that the Society hopes to accomplish this year.

Dr. Martin responded very graciously, thanking the Society for the support they had given him since his pastorate in this city and predicting still greater achievements through the Society. Mr. Pierpoint also made a very interesting and helpful speech as did several members of the Bible Class.

The banquet was largely attended and was pronounced a success by everyone. The Helping Hand Society hopes to make this year a banner year and one of more service and helpfulness.

Bible Thought for Today

THE WAY TO FREEDOM.—Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.—John 8:32.

WASHINGTON DAY BY DAY

Washington, Oct. 1.—At this time it seems that the Senate Democrats, under leadership of Senator Simmons of North Carolina, have obtained an important victory in the consideration of the tax revision bill. Republican leaders are conceding that the force of opposition to the bill will make it necessary for them to rewrite the bill almost in its entirety either by withdrawing it from the Senate or by suffering important amendments to be made on the floor of the Senate.

Stated in a general way, the obnoxious features of the bill to which the Democrats have been successfully objecting are those which purpose lifting the taxes on the rich and placing them on the less able to pay taxes. The Republicans had proposed to abolish the taxes on excess profits of large corporations and make the surtax on large individual income less than the rates in the House bill.

Senator Simmons and his colleagues, working unconsciously with the so-called agricultural bloc of the Senate, have virtually won a great victory on the proposition of lessening taxes on the rich and it is now certain that amendments to be adopted to the tax bill will increase the burden of the rich and decrease the burden of the poor. The Democrats of the Senate, although numbering only 37, have been almost a unit in supporting the vigorous onslaught of Senator Simmons and have been responsible for the sudden determination of the Republican majority to change the bill.

Vote on German Treaty Oct. 14.

Although John Barleycorn almost prevented, the Senate has reached an agreement for a vote on the treaty with Germany on October 14. The Senate Democrats agreed to vote after a reasonable time on the theory that they did not wish to be placed in an attitude of delaying the business of the nation. Their action was in direct contrast to that of the Republicans on the treaty of Versailles who did everything within their power to delay and prevent a vote on ratification.

The interference of John Barleycorn came about when Senator Sterling of South Dakota, afraid that the Senate might pass the tax bill, ratify the German treaty and then adjourn, insisted that any unanimous consent agreement for a vote on the treaty contain also a provision for a vote on the anti-beer bill. But when Sterling was assured by Majority Leader Lodge that consideration would be given the beer bill before adjournment of this session, he withdrew his objection to the unanimous consent agreement and permitted it to be placed on record.

Dry Heads Worried By Report

Prohibition Commissioner R. A. Haynes evidently was somewhat perturbed at the statement made in some of the local papers a day or two ago to the effect that hotels, restaurants and apartment houses are being circulated with quotations on the most recent market prices of booze of various sorts.

The commissioner issued a formal statement in which he reminded the owners of such places that they are liable, under the law, to have their places closed as a result of such activities.

"It is well in this connection to contemplate what would be the result of open saloons and cheap booze among the thousands of idle men and women, for whom the administration is making every possible effort to secure employment before the oncoming winter sets in," said Mr. Haynes in his statement.

Foreign Debt Bill.

President Harding will, in the near future, make an appeal to Congress to pass the bill giving broad powers in the settlement of foreign loans to the Secretary of the Treasury. It is the hope of the administration that this bill can be passed prior to adjournment and the President is expected to exhort Congress to pass the bill whether it wants to or not.

The reason for this is that tremendous pressure is being brought to bear on the administration to make some sort of settlement of the debt question in the interest of the economic stability of the world. Bankers of New York and Europe are interested in the movement on the theory that there can be no settlement of the exchange situation until the problem of foreign debts is solved.

It is already admitted that the President will have a hard time forcing this bill through Congress. The reason is that the bill gives almost autocratic powers to the Secretary of the Treasury and will enable him to make any kind of settlement of the foreign debt that occurs to him, short of actual cancellation of the debt.

The theory of Congress seems to be that if no sharp practices are contemplated in the settlement of the debt question and if the administration really is determined to make an equitable settlement that will be agreeable to all Americans, there is no reason why the terms of settlement cannot be arranged in advance and then submitted to Congress for approval.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

Miss Laura M. Allison has returned to her home in North Washington street, after spending the summer in Wytheville, Va.

Dr. Thomas B. Cochran, who has spent the past summer at Seneca Park, has returned to his home in South St. Asaph street.

The Automobile Bureau of the Chamber of Commerce, which ordinarily would have met October 4, has been postponed to October 11, on account of the election which will take place on next Tuesday.

Mr. P. H. Bayliss, of Rocky Mount, N. C., is spending some time with his sister, Mrs. R. S. Cleveland, in Harvard street.

The Episcopal High School team is this afternoon playing the team of Friends School, of Washington, at the E. H. S. grounds.

All members of Veterans of Foreign War are requested to meet at the old Truck House on Prince street, Sunday, at 4 o'clock.

Mr. W. D. Hudson, for the past two years manager of the Elkton Pharmacy, Elkton, Va., has returned to Alexandria, and will make his home here for the present.

The regular monthly meeting of the Old Dominion Boat Club, which was to have been held on Wednesday, October 5, has been postponed until Thursday, October 13, on account of the play, "Ship Aboard." At this meeting it is expected that a full report of the play will be made.

The Alexandria High School is today opening its football season against the Virginia Juniors. On Tuesday of next week they will play the strong team of Business High, of Washington, on Baggett's field. This game is sure to be an excellent one, so every one is expected to see it.

Little Leslie Ale, who was hit by an automobile and sustained a compound fracture of the leg, some time ago, in King street, has left the Alexandria Hospital for his home in North St. Asaph street.

The Lumber Yard Blues today defeated the Rex Athletic Club football team by a score of 27 to 0. Stars for the winners were Courtland Goodrich, Paul Travers, Brownie Allen and William Travers. The winners are willing to challenge any team averaging 75 pounds.

The first meeting of the season of the Parent-Teachers Association will be held at Lee School next Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. All members and all eligible for membership are urged to attend. The Association has plans for a wonderful year and it is hoped that every one eligible will become an enthusiastic worker for the betterment of our school system.

The Board of Directors of the Y. M. C. A. will meet at the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night at 8 P. M.

A large number of persons availed themselves of the opportunity to hear Mrs. T. E. Morton speak at the prayer meeting held at the Anne Lee Memorial last night. This is the last time Mrs. Morton, who is a returned missionary, will speak in Alexandria as she leaves today for her home in Elkneck, Md. While in this city she was the guest of Mrs. C. C. Carlin.

PRIZES AWARDED

Proficiency Shown in Needle Work. The silver thimble promised by Mrs. T. M. Jones to the most proficient child in the summer sewing class, was won by Miss Frances Lawler. Miss Edna Galahan also drawing, as both did wonderful work, a second prize being given to Edna. All of the children showed great interest and energy, there being sixty pieces of finished work displayed in Mrs. C. E. Bradley's window. Among those worthy of mention were Misses Viola Creel, Rosalie Clake, and Marie Quinn, all of whom did excellent work.

HAMPTON CLUB

Members of Relief Fire Company 1, Organize New Club

A club known as the Hampton Club has been organized by the members of Relief Truck and Engine Company No. 1, with the election of these officers: R. T. Lucas, Jr., president; H. W. Rudd, vice president; W. E. Eberhart, secretary and treasurer.

It is announced that only members of the Relief Truck and Engine Company are eligible to membership.

It is the intention of this club to furnish diversion for both the young and old of the city.

RALLY DAY IN THE SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rally Day will be observed in the Sunday Schools tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock at the Second Presbyterian Church. All the departments will be largely represented, and parents and members of the congregation will be present. A special offering will be made for Sunday School extension work.

At the evening service the pastor, Rev. Dr. John Lee Allison, will preach, and music by the choir will be rendered.

STORM CAUSES MUCH DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

Several Lives Lost and Heavy Damage Reported in N. Y. and Penna.

FRUIT BELT HURT

Many Small Boats on Lake Erie Capsized. Belive Death List Will be Increased When Check is Made.

Philadelphia, Oct. 1.—A terrific electric and wind storm which swept Eastern Pennsylvania late yesterday, caused heavy property damage and was responsible for the death of one man and the injury of several others.

In this city a trolley car loaded with passengers was struck by lightning. Six persons were injured and the car was set on fire. At York, Pa., Charles Carter, of New York, was killed when his automobile was overturned by the wind.

Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 1.—A cyclonic storm having as its path the entire section of Western New York from the Pennsylvania State line to the Canadian border, today caused a property loss that will aggregate several million dollars, killing at least one person and injuring several hundred. A number of small boats are reported missing on Lake Erie and it is believed that the death rate will be materially increased when the final check of the storm's toll has been made.

The 75-mile an hour gale, accompanied by torrential rain, swooped down upon the unsuspecting communities off Lake Erie shortly after 10 o'clock yesterday morning. Half an hour later the sun appeared through the clouds and Western New York began to check up the damage. The storm struck a fishing fleet in Lake Erie off Dunkirk, overturning a dozen or so dories. Capt. Charles W. Kleg, of Dunkirk, was drowned.

The far-famed Niagara fruit belt suffered severely in the storm. According to meagre reports obtained from the various sections of the belt yesterday evening, thousands of apple and peach trees were either uprooted or broken by the wind.

New York, Oct. 1.—New York was lashed late yesterday by a heavy wind and rain storm. The wind at times attained a velocity of 52 miles an hour, and one and a half inches of rain fell in less than half an hour.

The storm, which Weather Bureau officials said was caused by a low pressure area now sweeping eastward across Ontario, was generally felt in New England and as far south along the Atlantic Coast as North Carolina.

Dispatches from the northern part of New York State said that navigation in the St. Lawrence river had been suspended, and that there was considerable property damage from the wind.

POKER PLAYERS NABBED

Man Who Sleeps In Auto After Drinking Hoeh Assessed \$25.—
—Other Cases In Court

Eight poker players shortly after 8 o'clock last night had their game rudely interrupted by a visit made by the police who requested the participants to make a call to police headquarters. The proprietor of the private residence, where the game was in progress, was required to leave \$10 collateral and the other were requested to leave \$5 each. When their names were called in court today, most of which are supposed to have been fictitious, they forfeited collateral.

The call on the players was made by Sergt. Wilkinson and Policeman Durrer. After having imbibed too freely in good old corn liquor two Duke in an automobile went out on Duke street extended and one man, the driver, started to sleep, off the effects of the corn and the tail light of the machine went out and about that time Sergt. Campbell and Policemen Durrer, Cline and Lawrence Fadgett put in their appearance and the two men were taken to police headquarters. The driver of the machine was assessed \$25 and the other man \$10.

The court complimented Policeman Durrer for nabbing a man last night while driving near Rosemont whose machine was alleged to be going at the rate of thirty-five miles an hour. A fine of \$10 was imposed. A woman cited by Policeman Nalls because it was alleged she slapped a neighbor's child, was assessed \$5.

A thirteen year old boy, who recently was charged with taking bottles from the store of a merchant, again was made to face the bar. The court directed the boy be taken to and looked after. A man arrested by Policeman Talbot for violating the traffic law, forfeited \$5 collateral and a man arrested by Policeman Durrer for speeding, forfeited collateral and a man arrested by Policeman Magner for violating the light law, forfeited \$5 collateral.